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SUBJECT: ISRAEL SITUATION REPORT

1. IN SHORT ADDRESS TO NATION LAST NIGHT, PRIME MINISTER MEIR SAID WAR WOULD LAST LONGER THAN SIX DAYS, AND NO ONE COULD STATE HOW LONG. SHE NOTED ISRAEL WAS PAYING HEAVY PRICE IN THE FIGHTING, BUT THERE WAS NO DOUBT IN HER MIND ISRAEL WOULD WIN.

2. NEWS TODAY, AS REPORTED BY RADIO, HAS PROBABLY RAISED SPIRITS OF ISRAELIS TO CERTAIN DEGREE. NEWS OF ISRAELI ADVANCE FROM GOLAN INTO SYRIA PROPER WAS REPORTED IN EARLY AFTERNOON BROADCAST (ISRAELI PRESS DID NOT APPEAR TODAY BECAUSE OF LOCAL HOLIDAY) AND
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MORNING NEWS HAD CARRIED REPORTS OF ISRAELI GROUND FORAY ON WEST

SIDE OF SUEZ CANAL. RESERVE GENERAL HAIM HERZOG IN 1:30 PM BROADCAST STATED THAT ISRAEL HAD WON FIGHT FOR GOLAN HEIGHTS BY "BRILLIANT CAMPAIGN UNDER THE MOST DIFFICULT AND TRYING OF CIRCUMSTANCES." LIKE YESTERDAY, HERZOG CHARACTERIZED SITUATION IN SINAI AS QUIET, WITH BOTH SIDES PROBING AND JOCKEYING FOR POSITION, ALTHOUGH INITIATIVE WAS DEFINITELY IN ISRAEL'S HANDS. HE CLEARLY DISPLAYED MORE OPTIMISM THAN DURING HIS ANALYSIS OF YESTERDAY.

3. RADIO NEWS PROMINENTLY COVERED REPORTS OF SOVIET ARMS AIRLIFTS TO EGYPT AND SYRIA, AND ALSO CARRIED NEWS REPORTS THAT FLIGHTS WITH ARMS FOR ISRAEL HAD TAKEN OFF FROM UNITED STATES.

4. TODAY BEGAN EIGHT-DAY FEAST OF TABERNACLES, AND BUSINESSES IN ISRAEL ARE CLOSED TODAY. FEW PEOPLE ARE ON STREETS AND THERE IS RELATIVELY LITTLE TRAFFIC.

5. LOD AIRPORT IS REPORTED TO BE OPEN AND BUSY. BLACKOUT CONTINUES TO BE STRINGENTLY ENFORCED THROUGHOUT ISRAEL EXCEPT AT LOD AIRPORT, WHICH APPARENTLY TURNS ON LIGHTS FOR ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES OF COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT AT NIGHT.

6. CONSULAR SECTION REPORTS THAT INQUIRIES BY AMCIT ARE DOWN FROM YESTERDAY.
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